CURRENT HAPPENINGS

FAITHFUL CHRONICLE OF ALL IMPORTANT ITEMS.

RUEF DEFIES COURT

"BOSS" REFUSES TO RISE FOR ARRAIGNMENT.

Mayor of San Francisco Rises Reading of Indictments Without Monday to Enter Pleas.

On five charges of extortion found jury Mayor Eugene Schmitz and Abraham Reuf, of San Francisco, were Thursday arraigned in Superior Judge Dunne's court. At the urgent request of counsel for the defense the case was continued until next Monday for the purpose of giving the accused further time in which to plead.

A dramatic scene was presented in the court room as Mayor Schmitz and Mr. Ruef appeared before the bar.

"Number 303. Eugene E. Schmitz and Abraham Ruef for arraignment," Judge Dunne announced as he took his seat on the bench.

Breathless silence fell on the audience as the mayor arose and faced the clerk. He listened attentively as the formal indictment was read in monotonous monotones. Ruef declined to rise until the third indictment was read and then only after he had been commanded to do so by the judge

ment began. Francis J. Heney, the assistant district attorney, called the attention of the court to the fact that only one of the defendants was standing, but Attorney Henry Ach, appear ing for Reuf, and Attorney John Barret, appearing for Schmitz, protested Mystery Surrounds Man Who Seeks that it was not necessary for the defendants to stand. Ruef made no attempt to rise and Judge Dunne did not compel him to leave his chair.

When the formality of reading the first indictment was over the mayor sat down and one of his attorneys, Frank Drew, asked for a continuance until Monday. Judge Dunne stated that it had been the understanding at the last calling of the case that the defendants would make answer county, N. Y., and was sent to the asy- attitude of the Russian government Thursday. The motion for a contin- lum as mane. He is said now to have on the question of the repatriation of directed that arraignment under the other indictments should proceed.

HAS GILLETTE CONFESSED?

Rumor that He Was Overheard to Admit His Guilt.

A dispatch from Herkimer, N. Y. says: Chester E. Gillette was not sentexced Thursday. At the appointed counsel had been unable to prepare in the brief time at their disposal for desire to enter before sentence is lum is not George T. Kimmel. passed.

The court on this showing post poned proceedings until next Monday District Attorney Ward made no objection. "But I want it understood." he added, "there will be another post-

fess to his lawyers; others that he road. told a visitor who called on him that visitor told the district attorney. Nobody connected with the case in any

District Attorney Ward Thursday refused to confirm or deny the reporthat Gillette was overheard to make a cenfession to his attorney that he struck Grace Brown at Big Moose

Third to Go to Prison.

Hagbart Gregerson, formerly an exchange teller of the Milwaukee Avenue State bank, of Chicago, Thursday pleaded guilty to embezzlement of the bank's funds and was given an indeterminate sentence in the penitentlary. Gregerson is the third official of the bank to be sent to prison.

Stoned to Death as Witch. A letter received at Phoenix, Ariz. Thursday reports the stoning to death of an Apache squaw by the tribesmen one mile from Fort Apache on Nov. 28. The natives charged her with being a witch.

To Succeed Spencer. W. W. Finley, of New York was Wednesday elected president of the Southern Railway company, succeeding the late Samuel Spencer. Mr. Finhas been second vice president of the

Sloux City Live Stock Market. Bursday's quotations on the Sloux City live stock market follow: Butchqv steers, \$5.50. Top hogs, \$6.25.

New Rubber Company Ferme "Bie Intercontinental Rubber comwas incorporated at Trenten, N. A. Thursday with a capital of \$40,ferred stock with 7 per cent cumula. tive dividends.

Escapes in Barrel of Sauerkraut. George Gerchuni, a Russian political prisoner of Siberia, arrived in San Francisco on the China Tuesday. He escaped from Akatny prison in Siberia, concealed in a barrel of sauerkraut.

SAN FRANCISCO COOLS.

Attack.

The California delegation in congress has received what they consider trial of Chester E. Gillette for the a satisfactory assurance that the pres- murder of his sweetheart. Grace ident did not desire to be understood as saying in the Japanese section of last, Tuesday returned a verdict of his message that he would use the guilty in the first degree. Sentence military forces of the United States in will be pronounced on Thursday forcing Japanese into the California morning, to which time court adjournschools in which the white children ed after the jury had reported. are taught. It is said to have been his purpose to convey the idea that he nians take no offense at this inter- dict set aside. pretation of the measure and agree that the chief executive should do everything in his power to protect Jap-Being Urged-Both Given Until anese as well as other foreigners against violence.

"This whole San Francvisco affair is proving to be a tempest in a teaagainst each of them by the grand pro," Julius Kahn said Wednesday. "It will die out rapidly as soon as there is general understanding of why California takes the position it does. The courts must settle all the legal questions involved in the San Francis. co school situation. We are glad to know that the administration is taking steps to institute action which will give the courts a chance to pass on the validity of the San Francisco board's action."

Inquiry Wednesday disclosed the fact that the legal proceedings to be taken in San Francisco by the United States district attorney in the matter of the admission of Japanese to the public schools of that city without discrimination were inspired by Secretary Root, who expressed the opinion that it would be one way of effectually disposing of the controversy.

That the president's views on the subject met with the hearty approval of the Japanese government was made Mayor Schmitz arose promptly evident Wednesday when Viscount when the reading of the first indict. Aoki, the Japanese ambassador, said evident Wednesday when Viscount that he had personally thanked the president for what he had said.

CLAIMS HE IS NOT INSANE.

Release from New York Hospital.

A prisoner in the state hospital for the insane at Matteawon, N. Y., who is now trying to obtain freedom on the ground that he is no longer insane, said to have been identified by bank officers of Kansas City as a man who is said to have defaulted and disappeared seven years ago under the name of Andrew J. White. He was rived in St. Petersburg charged with convicted of larceny in Cattaragus the double mission of ascertaining the admitted his name is Kimmel, and habeas corpus proceedings have been begun on his behalf to secure his re-

Kimmel's identity was discovered as New York Life insurance company. which refused to pay insurance of \$25,000 on his life, which was claimed by Mrs. Edna K. Bonslett, of Chicago Kimmel's sister. Mrs. Bonslett's claim hour he was taken into court, but his was based on the allegation that a man missing for seven years was legally dead. Kimmel's relatives dea motion for a new trial, which they clare the man now in the insane asy-

MANY PERISH IN THE FLOOD

Several Score of Lives Are Lost in Arizona.

Private railroad dispatches received at Phoenix, Ariz., say sixty lives were There are and have been for some lost at Clifton Tuesday in the great time all kinds of rumors that Gillette flood that swept the camp, destroying has been overheard to make some many business buildings, wrecking the ing of a confession that he killed smelting plant of the Arizona Copper Grace Brown. Some of these stories company and tearing out miles of are that jail officials heard him con- track of the Arizona and Mexico rail-

Clifton has about 3,500 inhabitants he had struck the girl and that the and lies in a narrow valley near the eastern line of Arizona.

The Detroit concentration dam manner will confirm any of these broke, sending a wall of water down Chase creek.

DUAL HANGING IN GEORGIA.

I'wo Men Executed for a Murder. J. G. Rawlings and Alf Moore (a negro) were hanged at Valdosta, Ga.,

Carrie Carter, in July, 1905.

Both stepped upon the scaffold without a tremer. Rawlings in his last statement declared he had told the truth that his sons had no connection with the crime. Moore also declared he had told the truth, again insisting Milton Rawlings had fired the fatal shots.

Tuesday for the murder of Willie and

Prof. Osborn is Elected.

Prof. Henry Fairfield Osborn, of New York City, was Tuesday elected secretary of the Smithsonian institution to succeed the late Prof. Samue T. Langley. Osborn is one of the foremost scientists and educators in the country.

Are Cleared of Grafting. The jury in the case of ex-City Detective Bentley and ex-Chief Routshan, of Lincoln, Neb., Wednesday returned a verdict of not guilty. The men were charged with "grafting" from the women of the bottoms,

J. F. Culpepper, of Pine Bluff, Ark. was shot in a pistol duel Wednesday with a negro named Brock. After reseiving mortal wounds Culpepper fired at the negre, sending a bullet through his heart.

Michigan Central Increases Wages It was announced Wednesday that several thousand employes of the Michigan Central railroad have been granted an increase in wages ranging from 1 cent to 4 cents an hour.

GILLETTE IS GUILTY.

No Threat by President of Armed Murder in First Degree is Jury's

The jury at Herkimer, N. Y., in the Brown, at Big Moose lake on July 11

Former Senator Mills, Gillette's counsel, before adjournment announcwould use the militia to protect Japan- ed when court convened Thursday ese against mob violence. Califor- that he would move to have the ver-

> The jury, which had deliberated for five hours, sent word at 11 o'clock that a verdict had been reached. A moment later the jurors filed into the court room and at 11:15 o'clock an officer who had been sent for Gillette returned with the prisoner. Pale and a triffe nervous, Gillette

faced the jury and when Marshal Hatch, the foreman, declared that verdict of guilty in the first degree had been found the youthful prisoner gave no sign of emotion.

Gillette bent over a nearby table, drew toward him a bit of white paper and, taking a pencil from his pocket, wrots this message:

"Father: I am convicted. Chester.

This was one of the earliest dispatches carrying the news of Gillette's doom beyond the walls of the court house. It went to his father in Den-

The under sheriff took Gillette back to jail, and as soon as he entered his cell he prepared for bed. "The reporters want to see me," he

said to Sheriff Richards, "tell them I have nothing to say, only I did not wrote this message: It was learned that the jury had

some difficulty in reaching an agreement, that six ballots were taken before the twelve men agreed. Up to that time the jury had stood eleven for conviction and one for acquittal. The case was given to the jury at

5:50 o'clock after Judge Devendorf had occupied an hour and fifteen min-

DOUKHOBERS WOULD RETURN.

"John the Baptist" Assured Russia

Will Not Molest Them. Peter Verigin, the head of the Doukhober community in Canada, who was known as "John the Baptist," has arthe Doukhobers and recruiting a force of 10,000 Russian peasants, wanted on two-year contracts to work on the construction of new railroads in the Canadian northwest. The answer of the result of a contest made by the the government to those two questions was given by Premier Stolypin in the course of an audience. The premier said the government would be glad to welcome the Doukhobers back whenever they were ready to come. They are considered he said, as pilgrims who left the country during a time of religious intolerance. Assuring him that he would not be hampered by the government, the premier advised Verigin to secure his contract laborers in the famine stricken provinces.

AVENGES HUSBAND'S DEATH.

Woman Kills His Slayer and is Herself

Shot to Death. Two men and a woman were killed on the road between Escondido and San Luis Deydam, Cal., as the result of a fight between Howard Gore and Edward Brady, ranchers, who have been at enmity for some time over a claim which Gore is alleged to have jumped. The two men met in what is known as Hell's Hole canon, along the line of the Escondido irrigation diten. The dispute was renewed and Gore shot Brady, killing him. Mrs. Brady. who was present, secured a gun and shot Gore, who then succeeded in killing Mrs. Brady before he died.

Dunne Will Try Again. John P. Tansey, chairman of the Democratic central committee of Chicago, Tuesday announced that Mayor Dunne is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for mayor and that ex-Mayor Carter H. Harrison will accept the nomination if it is offered to him in April.

Capital Stock Increased.

The American Woolen company, of Trenton, N. J., Tuesday filed papers with the secretary of state increasing its capital stock from 65,000,000 to \$75,000,000, by adding \$10,000,000 to its present issue of \$25,000,000 preferred stock.

Teller and Money Gone.

Wm. C. Anderson, collection taller of the First National bank of Kansas City, Mo., is missing. President Switney admitted Wednesday that Anderson was short \$9,000 in his accounts.

Kills Wife and Self; Cuts Throat Edward Johnson shot his wife to death at Gilchrist, Ill., Tuesday morning and committed suicide by cutting his throat from ear to ear. Family trouble was the cause.

Leophole for Gamblers.

The supremecourt of Missouri Tuesday decided the Missouri anti-pool selling law does not prohibit persons from selling pools on races to be run in the state when the bets are registered by telephone in another state.

Crapsey Formally Deposed. Bishop Walker, of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of western New York, Tuesday formally deposed the Rev. Algernan S. Crapsey from the ministry of the Episcopal church.

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CON-DENSED FORM.

Same Suit to Dodge Tax-Union Pacific Begins Annual Injunction Proceedings to Block Process of Law-Other State News.

The Union Pacific Railroad company began its annual injunction proceedings in the United States circuit court at Omaha Saturday morning to restrain the collection of taxes for the year 1906, levied against the property of the state through which the road runs. County Treasurer R. O. Fink, of Douglas county, and all the county treasurers of the state in which the Union Pacific has property are made defendants.

The petition alleges that the levy of taxes as made by the state board of equalization for the year 1906, and which became delinquent Dec. 1, 1906, are illegal, excessive and were made under the stress of public clamor and other outside influences and should not be collected. The petition further asks that the defendants be restrained from enforcing the collection of these taxes by distress warrant or execution, as is provided by the present revenue law of the state.

The hearing on the injunction is set for Dec. 20, 1906. The suit is identical with those filed for the same purpose on Dec. 1, 1904, and Dec. 1, 1905, and which are now pending in the United States supreme court, awaiting a full bench, on appeal from the lower court, wherein a deci-

sion was given for the state. The amount of tax assessed in 1903 was \$6,323,332; in 1904, \$10,575,616; in 1905, 11,539,355, and in 1906, \$11,-633182.48, which is alleged to be an increase of \$5,309,850.48 over the levy of 1903, and is held to be unjust, unfair and disproportionate with other

taxable property in the state.

The amount of the assessment within the limits of the city of Omaha in 1906 is \$86,560, and Treasurer Fink is asked to be restrained from levying tax on any valuation exceeding \$12,-000 per mile within the limits of the city of Omaha.

C. J. Greene intimated the Burlington would file a similar suit as soon as its attorneys got around to it.

LOSES LEG IN HEMP MILL.

Schuler, of Havelock, Meets with Painful Accident. Elmer Schuler, a prominent busi-ness man of Havelock, had the misfortune of losing his left leg Tuesday. up on the platform where they push the hemp into the grinders to assist. While working he slipped and his left foot was caught in the grinders and before they could get the mill shut off by his comrades. had ground his leg to above the knee into shreds. It was fully ten minutes before they could get him loose. He was conscious all the time and directed the men what to do. They bound his leg with hemp and took him to University Place. the hospital at where Dr. McKinnon, of Lincoln, assisted by Drs. Ballard and Williams. of Havelock, amputated his leg nine inches from the hip socket. It is feared that the great loss of blood and the shock may prove fatal.

GRAIN BROKER HELD FOR TRIAL

Fails to Satisfactorily Account to Cus-

J. W. Culver, who was recently arrested, charged with larceny as bailee, having interested a number of our citizens in his grain speculations, was given a hearing Tuesday before County Judge Spafford. Falling to be able to show what had become of considerable sums of money placed in his hands for the purpose of investing in options on grain, he was bound over the district court in the sum of \$500. For want of ball he was remanded to the county jail. This being the first case of this character undertaken in this county, it will be watched with great interest.

Fire at Arcadia.

The Hotel Robinson was totally destroyed by fire at Arcadia. How the fire started is unknown. The building was well in flames before the alarm was given and chance to save it was so meager that no attempt was made to get out some of the furniture and but a small part of that was sav-All the guests were safely out of the bui'ding, although some of them lost their clothing. The insurance is \$4,000 and the loss about \$5,000.

Escaped Prisoner Recaptured. George Hill, the man who, at Fremont, made a sensational escape from the sheriff Friday noon and who was arrested in Council Bluffs Tuesday, pleaded guilty Wednesday morning to the charge of assault and battery on

John Flater and drew a fine of \$24 and costs, amounting in all to \$49. Boy Accidentally Shot. About 11 o'clock Tuesday morning Mike Chioekoun, of Loup City, a Polish boy about 17 years old, who is employed in the butcher shop of S. F

putting a loaded gun into a wagon. Beemer Man Hangs Himself. William Grosse, of Beemer, aged 85 years, father of Frank and Emil Grosse, prominent implement dealers of the town, committed suicide Tucsisy forenoon about 10:30 o'clock.

Reynolds, was accidentally shot while

Geese Plentiful, but Wild. Farmers report a very large number of wild geese around Herman. They see them in the bottoms most any time of the day, but they are se wild that few of them are being killed. Ducks are quite plentiful also and several hunters have bagged a goodly number of them.

Bloodhounds for Sheriff. Geneva has pur hased three trained bloodhounds, which will be in the care of Sheriff Page and City Marshal

COAL TRUST HEARING BEGINS. Sharp Centest Over Introduction of

Evidence at Omaha Wednesday's hearing of the coal trust case in the district court at Omaha, in which S. E. Howell, president of the Omaha Coal exchange, is the defendant, was principally devoted to wordy clashes between the opposing attorneys in which Judge Sutton frequently had to interfere. District Atprosecution and W. J. Connell is the attorney for the defense. The only witness heard at the day sessions was Walter Wills, secretary of the ex-change from October, 1982, to September, 1905. Aside from the minutes of the meeting to show the organization of the exchange Judge Sutton would not admit evidence to overt acts committed prior to the time the Junkin anti-trust law went into effect eighteen months ago. Mr. Willis told of the methods used in the establishment of prices for coal. Each member, he said, would submit a card bearing the firm's name, the name of the coal and the price it was proposed to charge. He made up and sent out printed lists to the members. He could not remember whether or not such lists had been issued within eighteen months.

WOMAN KILLED NEAR BLAIR.

Catherine Hendricks Thrown from Buggy and Dies. Mrs. Catherine Hendricks, a widow, aged 79, was killed and Mrs. Kate Hendricks, widow of her deceased son, severely injured in an accident on a road four miles northeast of Blair

Thursday morning. They were driving to town, when their horse became frightened at an automobile driven by C. A. Hoff, of Blair. The animal turned sharply, throwing the woman from the bursy and then stood still. Mr. Hoff lifted the women into the automobile and took them to the home of Hans An-derson, with whom they resided. The elder Mrs. Hendricks died a few minutes after reaching home, her back having been broken. The collar bone of the younger woman was broken and she was severely bruised.

No blame is attached to the automobilist, who stopped his machine as soon as he saw the horse was fright-

FATAL ACCIDENT NEAR BLAIR. Pile Driver Goes Into River, Taking

Crew with It.

The large pile driver being used in constructing a dike for protecting the bank of the river three miles north of the Blair river bridge, on the Iowa side, went into the river in twenty feet of water Tuesday evening at 5 o'clock and is a total wreck. Eight men were working on the driver when it went and Reno Morrison, known there as Reno Keppte, was drowned and the the hemp mill, went down to see how body is supposed to be under the they were getting along, and as they wreck. He was 19 years of age and lived with his mother in Blair. engineer, Osceola Merica, went down in his engine, but succeeded in getting loose and came up with his head just above the water and was pulled out

ALLEGED UNLAWFUL ARREST.

Railroad Foreman Sues West Point for Damages. Joseph R. Bredin, a construction foreman of the Northwestern railway, who has been in West Point for some time past superintending the installation of the new rallway water works plant, has commenced action in the district court of Cuming county against the city of West Point and Harvey Miller, night watchman, for damages for unlawful arrest and false imprisonment. The damages are laid at \$5,000, the allegations of the petition being that the plaintiff, Bredin, was unlawfully deprived of his liberty by the night watchman, incarcerated in jail, afterwards being released without trial.

Stray Shot Injures Workman. Through some person's carelessne handling a shotgun Fred Smalley, of Eustis, was shot but not fatally hurt, recently. Smalley, who is a carpenter, was working lastde a building when the shots were fired. He paid no attention to them, however, thinking that some boys were shooting at pigeons. The shot struck him about the head and face and narrowly miss. ed his left eye.

Ex-Senator Giffert III. Former Senator D. C. Giffert, ot West Point, is lying at his home dangerously ill from a severe attack of pleurisy. While the symptoms of his malady are decidedly unfavorable, yet some hope is held out by his medical attendants that he will recover. The most alarming feature of his illness is the frequently recurring hemorrhages of the lungs from which he

Shot His Heel Off. Jim Stanley, of Auburn, while out hunting met with a serious accident While carrying his shotgun it in some way was accidentally discharged and the full load of shot entered his heel, thus necessitating the amputation of the entire back part of the foot. It is hoped the balance of the foot will be saved.

Cattle Are Dying,
A Laurel special says: H. B. Zook's cattle have been dying and the state veterinary reports it to be semething like diphtheria. This is the first time in this part part of the country that diphtheria has left human beings for

Diphtheria at Lushton, There is an epidemic of diphtheria around Lushton. Carl Marquardt has lost one child and another is sick.

Death of Edward Moore. Edward Moore, chairman of the board of county commissioners of rown county, died at his home near Johnstown at 6 o'clock Sunday morning after an illness of two weeks from stomach trouble. Mr. Moore was an old settler in the western part of this county, having lived there since 1883,

John J. Trompen Dead. John J. Trompen, a pioneer resident of Lancaster county and ex-sheriff and Wednesday ex-state senator, dier

night at Colorado Springs, Colo.

The need of more room for the use of the state library has resulted in the proposal of many schemes, the latest of which is for the state to buy the corner lot at Fourteenth and J streets or the lot at Sixteenth and H streets. Those who are back of this deal want magnificent library and legal building put on one of these corners and have it used for the library, the supreme court and legal department of While there is no doubt the library has outgrown its quarters and the quarters never were fit for the housing of valuable books, until a new state house is built, it has been suggested the dome of the capitol could be utilized with some fixing up. As now arranged the bailiff to the susecond floor to the basement after records and books and the trip to the 000 over the value of farm products dome is not any farther. In the dome, produced a year are. there are several thousand feet of space not used except by those who climb up to look over the state and by the bats and rats and such things, And, incidentally, it is just as sane to where they are.

The biennial report of State Auditor Searle will show that the various state departments collected in fees \$285,-148.89 during the past two years. At least that is the amount turned into the state treasury from Dec. 1, 1904, to Nov. 30, 1906. During the preceding blennlum the collection turned into the state treasury was in the fees collected by the insurance department under control of the state auditor. Inthe banking department fees for the blennium just closed is an item of \$2,350 for charter fees, charged under, law enacted two years ago. Game and fish licenses paid into the state treasury are not carried as fees. During the biennium just closed the li-censes aggregated \$12.604. For the preceding blennium these fees amounted to \$8,945. The increase in the fees in the insurance department was largely because of the enforcement of the reciprocal tax law, which had not been enforced pending a deci-sion of the supreme court, during the previous biennium.

ceived for them. On this date years ago the clerk had on hand 17,-582 volumes. During the two years he has received 7,500 reports, distributed free to other states and libraries 1.239 volumes and sold 4 435 volumes He has on hand damaged by water leaking through the roof, 364 volumes and 19,044 volumes in good condition. This department has on hand out of its maintenance appropriation of \$3,-500 a balance of \$944.84. The state

Gov. Mickey's executive order directing the release of William Camploa, a young man held in the Seward county jail on a paternity charge, has been set aside by Judge Good of the district court there with a ruling that of \$400,000,000. The packing be the governor had no authority to issue a pardon in Campion's case. The lat- of \$207,000,000. has been tried a second time on a held in custody. The second charge is supposed to be a means of keeping campion in jail despite Gov. Michael action action.

Hon. Joseph R. Webster and Dr. eonore Perky were married in Lincoin a few days ago. Mr. Webster was at one time attorney general of Nebraska. At the present time he is engaged as an attorney in a department of the national government at Washington, Dr. Leonore Perky is one of Lincoln's best known physicians and became prominent during the last year by her connection with the committee which investigated Tabitaha home.

Gov. Mickey is the second Nebraska governor who ever had the distinction of issuing a proclamation declaring a constitutional amendment carried and a part of the state constitution. In 1887 Gov. John M. Thayer issued a proclamation that amendment to lengthen the terms of legislators and to increase the pay was a part of the constitution,

John Lyons has been appointed chief clerk in the office of Land Commissioner Eaton to succed Frank Fitle, Mr. Croft having declined the place. The place made vacant by the promotion of Mr. Lyons has been filled, but until Mr. Eaton receives a favorable reply from the man to whom he offered it he will nounce the appointment.

Owing to the quality of coal used by the gas company, the people of Lincoln are breathing sulphur, and considerable uneasiness is felt all over town. Where gas is used to any extent the sulphur is so prominent that it is almost impossible to breathe in the house. People are living with their windows open.

The temporary school fund to be apportioned to the various countles of the state at the next semi-annual distribution will amount to \$251,806.54. State Treasurer Mortensen has certifled to State Superintendent McBrien that this amount was on hand at the close of business Dec. 3.

Advance sheets of the biennial re port of the state auditor show there is still left of the appropriations for maintenance of the various state institutions and departments unexpended a total of \$515,695.88

RICHES FOR FARMER

YEAR JUST CLOSING SHOWS BIG GAIN OVER 1906.

Agricultural Products of the Country Valued at \$6,794,000,000-Nearly Every Farmer in the Middle West Now a Bank Depositor,

Prosperity reached out with a bounteous hand into the agricultural reyear and made 1906, from the standpoint of the value of farm products, a record-breaker in the annals of the mation's wealth-producing achieve This announcement is made in the annual report of Secretary Wilson. Nature gave in such a lavish manner that 1905, the country's banner year in the march of prosperity, is left in the rear and 1906 is given the place of honor with an estimated margin of \$485,000,-

produced a year ago. "Taken at that point in production," says Secretary Wilson, "at which they acquire commercial value, the farm products of the year, estimated for evput the books there as to keep them ery detail presented by the census, have where they are. \$485,000,000 above the value of 1905, \$635,000,000 above 1904, \$877,000,000 above 1903 and \$2,077,000,000 above the census for 1899. The value of farm products of 1906 was 8 per cent greater than that of 1905, 10 per cent over 1904, 15 per cent over 1908 and 44 per cent over 1899."

The economic revolution in the art and science of agriculture continued during 1906, with tremend on the national prosperity. The value of crops continues to rush forward beyoud comprehension; crops are strain-ing the freight carrying ability of the railroads. Corn remains by far the most valuable crop, estimated at \$1,100,-000,000. Next comes the cotton crop, which, including the seed, should be worth to the growers nearly \$640,000,-000. The value of hay, which is third ad not been enforced pending a decilon of the supreme court, during the
revious biennium.

Wheat, the fourth crop, may be worth
\$450,000,000; oats, \$300,000,000; potsFrank W. Coleman, bailin to the
toes, \$150,000,000. Barley, with a value supreme court, has completed the statistical part of the biennial report of cent in production in the last seven this department. Mr. Coleman has rears. The tobacco crop will be worth this department. Mr. Coleman has inaugurated a new system of keeping the records of the Nebraska reports handled by the department, and his report shows in detail the number of books of each volume on hand, sold, damaged, given away and the price received for them. On this date two years ago foe value of this grop was \$7,000,000. The value of all kinds of sugar, sirup, and molasses aggregates \$75,000,000

Farm Exports Break Re-The farm-still overshadows the mill. the factory, and the workshop in providing exports, and with his surplus beyond the nation's need the far has loaded the fleets of oceans. For library spent for new books durins the fiscal year ended June 30, 1906, this the two years \$6,302.53 and has on surplus has been experted to the value surplus has been experted to the value of \$976,000,000, the largest amount ever reached by agricultural exports for this or any other country and exceeding the export value of 1901, previously the record year. Among chief exports cotton maintains a long lead, with a value produces exported amounted to a value

If real estate, domestic animais, othhas increased since the census valua-Campion in jail despite Gov. Mickey's tion by probably \$8,000,000,000, the present valuation being probably \$28,000,-000,000.

> The report contains some im figures on meat production, the result of a recent large and searching investigation by the department. In the last census year, 1900, 93,502,000 meat animals were slaughtered and exported. Meat contributes one-third or more of the total assimilated nutrients of the national dietary, and at average exceeded \$2,000,000,000.

> The laws made by Congress at Its last session to be executed by the department, Secretary Wilson says, have required and received special attention. The meat law is being enforced, and inspection is now made in over 1,000 houses. Not less than 1,300 experts have been added to the inspection force. Rules have been prepared for the execution of the pure food inw. A beginning has been made in the method of determining the grading of grain, and the law providing for the humane treatment of live stock in transit is receiving careful attention.

> A Vaudeville Church Offering. Rev. Frank Goodchild of the Central Baptist church of New York has introduced a limited vaudeville performance as an attraction for his Sunday evening service. The performance included "the largest and most complete set of musical glarges ever placed before the public." according to the announcement of the church bulletin. The pastor says he does not propose to let the Sunday night shows in the theaters take his congregation away from him without making a fight. He says that anything that will attract a crowd without marring the sacredness of worship is permissible and justifiable. He will have no performers who are not Christians and God-fearing worshipers. That is where he will draw the line.

A movement has just taken shape mong some intellectual Hebrews of New among some intellectual Hebrews of New York City to create a colony of inexpen-sive homes on Long Island for LUSO families. A large tract of land has been laid out as a model suburban ville space for a market place, city hall and

emple of worship. Advertise in this paper.